

State of Connecticut

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Hartford
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Daniel F. Caruso
Chairman
Connecticut Siting Council
10 Franklin Square
New Britain, CT 06051

Dear Chairman Caruso:

I have been monitoring United Illuminating's ("UI") application to the Connecticut Siting Council seeking to construct a substation in Trumbull, CT. I understand that the Town and residents have opposed UI's application because the proposed substation is poorly sited in the middle of a residential neighborhood and fails to consider alternative sites

I share their concerns and strongly oppose UI's application. I am disappointed to learn that UI has apparently failed to consider whether an alternative site in a commercial zone is environmentally, technically, and economically practical. I have been contacted by Town residents who are extremely concerned about potentially harmful health effects of this proposed substation. Thus, I ask the Council to carefully review these important considerations before rendering a decision on UI's pending application.

Although I understand and appreciate the need for this proposed substation, I urge the Council to follow its statutory mandate to consider alternative sites that would limit any adverse impacts on the environment, the Town, or its citizens. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have additional questions or concerns.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Richard Blumenthal", written in a cursive style.

RICHARD BLUMENTHAL

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